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Julius Genachowski, Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th St., SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski,

Wisconsin has seen a great deal of expansion in terms of broadband Internet access and adoption over the past few years, as private investment in the industry has grown and new technologies have come onto the market. More and more, businesses and individuals are taking advantage of the growing availability of these technologies in our state, which are also crucial in attracting new jobs and growing Wisconsin's economy.

Continued investment in broadband technologies is essential in ensuring the global competitiveness of Wisconsin and our country, and it's a goal that our organization – Wired Wisconsin – is working towards.

However, recent comments you made regarding new regulations and constraints on the Internet and wireless service are deeply disconcerting, and are very much opposed to our organization's mission. A policy of network neutrality will limit investment in the infrastructure Wisconsin needs to continue its economic growth, while simultaneously stifling innovation and hurting consumers.

I strongly urge you to consider the economic ramifications for Wisconsin and our nation when considering these unprecedented regulations on broadband service.

Broadband Internet is working for Wisconsin. As access and development expand, so to is our state's economy. Changing course now would be disastrous.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director, Wired Wisconsin